
DIGEST

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HB No. 180

Abstract: Provides access to criminal history information to certain entities and agencies and provides for procedures by which that information is provided to the requesting entity.

Present law requires the bureau of criminal identification and information to provide criminal history information to certain entities.

Present law provides for the release of confidential, nonpublic information for investigative purposes to the following: law enforcement agencies, criminal justice agencies, the La. State Board of Medical Examiners, the La. State Board of Nursing, the La. State Board of Dentistry, the La. State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, the Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission, the La. Attorney Disciplinary Board, Office of Disciplinary Counsel, and the La. Supreme Court Committee on Bar Admissions. Further requires these entities to keep the information confidential.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the following to the list of entities who have access to such information:

- (1) The office of the attorney general.
- (2) Any district attorney's office.
- (3) Any person requesting a record of all criminal arrests and convictions pursuant to R.S. 15:587.1.

Present law requires criminal background checks to be conducted on persons applying for a position of supervisory or disciplinary authority over children.

Proposed law requires the bureau to establish policies and procedures by which expunged information may be accessed by the following entities: any eligible criminal justice agency, the office of the attorney general, any district attorney's office, or any person or entity requesting criminal records information pursuant to R.S. 15:587.1.

Proposed law further requires these entities to maintain confidentiality of the criminal history information, and allows them to use the information or admit the information into evidence in any court proceeding or employment or disciplinary proceeding in which the entity is an authorized participant.

(Amends R.S. 15:587.1(B) and R.S. 44:9(F), (G), and (I); Adds R.S. 15:587(A)(1)(f))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill.

1. Amended the procedures by which criminal history information is provided to the requesting entity.